

June 4, 2020

National Freedom of Information Office U.S. Environmental Protection Agency <a href="https://www.foiaonline.gov">https://www.foiaonline.gov</a>

Re: Freedom of Information Act Request

For EPA Region 3 Documents
The Parks at Walter Reed

(former Walter Reed Army Medical Center)

6900 Georgia Avenue, NW Washington, D.C. 20012

To Whom It May Concern:

For the period beginning January 1, 2016 through the date of this Freedom of Information request, this request seeks all documents submitted by the U.S. Army and its contractors to EPA Region 3 in connection with the Army's efforts to address PCB contamination at the Walter Reed Army Medical Center (WRAMC) in northwest Washington, D.C. The request also seeks all of EPA's responses to the submitted documents and associated e-mails and records of telephone conversations with the Army and its contractors about such subjects. It is believed that these materials have been submitted (and that EPA has responded) pursuant to the self-implementing PCB cleanup provisions of 40 C.F.R. Section 761.61.

Most of the land and buildings at WRAMC were transferred to the District of Columbia in November 2016 pursuant to the Base Realignment and Closure Act (BRAC). At the time of the transfer, several areas of the installation remained contaminated with polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs) from electrical transformers and possibly from other sources.

The Army is responsible for the cleanup of such contamination, and pursuant to 40 C.F.R. Part 761, the Army and/or its contractors have reportedly submitted documents, including various work plans, updates and amendments, to EPA Region 3 in order to obtain EPA concurrence with the plans to address and clean up PCB contamination at WRAMC.

EPA has reportedly responded to these submissions.

The Army's efforts to carry out such cleanup work have been under discussion or underway since sometime late in 2016 or 2017 and continue through the present.

It is thought that Ms. Kelly Bunker of EPA Region 3 has been the EPA employee most involved in reviewing and responding to these submissions.

Any and all information can be sent to my attention:

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I am willing to pay up to \$250.00 for the search time and copying costs that EPA may incur in this effort.

Thank you in advance for your prompt attention to this matter. Please feel to contact me should you have any questions or need any additional information.

Sincerely,

Kent D. Campbell, CPG

Cc: Ms. Kelly Bunker, EPA Region III (via electronic mail)